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TO AMEMBASSY LIBREVILLE

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SUBJECT:SALE OF ESCORT VEHICLES TO GOG

REF: LIBREVILLE 1275

1. SEVERAL WEEKS AGO, GEORGE STRIKE OF HESS AND EISENHARDT CALLED AF/C TO REPORT THAT PRESIDENT BONGO'S CHECK (REFTEL) HAD BOUNCED. DESKOFF ADVISED HIM TO RESUBMIT CHECK THROUGH CITIBANK (CORRESPONDENT BANK FOR 1ST NATIONAL BANK OF CIN-CINNATI) AND LET CITIBANK/LIBREVILLE SORT OUT THE PROBLEM.

2. STRIKE CALLED AGAIN AUG 20 TO REPORT THAT CHECK HAD ONCE AGAIN RETURNED WITHOUT PAYMENT AND WITHOUT EXPLANATION.

3. CHECK, SIGNED BY BONGO PERSONALLY, IS DRAWN FROM GOG ACCOUNT IN BANQUE DE GABON ET DE LUXEMBOURG, IN AMOUNT OF CFA 108,337,500.00. CHECK NO. IS 001479.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE ANYTHING EMBASSY AND CITIBANK/LIBREVILLE CAN DO TO CLEAR UP MISUNDERSTANDING. STRIKE STILL IN POSSESSION OF WELL-TRAVELED CHECK AND AWAITS EMBASSY'S ADVICE. KISSINGER

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